## CHANNEL COMMUNICATION APPARATUS AND METHOD IN CDMA COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

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A channel communication apparatus and method are provided for a CDMA communication system method for acquiring signals from multiple adjacent base stations by a terminal; for providing more efficient set management; for providing more efficient multipath acquisition and finger assignment; and for acquiring a signal sent from an adjacent base station and a multipath signal which can reduce power consumption and hardware complexity in the terminal. The apparatus and methods also accurately measure the power or time delay of a signal received from a base station by a terminal in a CDMA communication system.; A channel communication apparatus and method are provided for a CDMA communication system for acquiring signals from multiple adjacent base stations by a terminal. Each base station sends temporarily a pilot signal at an increased power level so that a terminal can acquire sequentially the pilot signals sent from all adjacent base stations to accurately measure the received pilot signal strength or time of arrival to estimate the location of a terminal on a forward link. By means of the method set management, multipath acquisition and finger assignment can be advantageously improved and power consumption and hardware complexity of the terminal can be decreased.

OVERALL
TRANSMISSION
POWER OF
BASESTATION

POWER OF PILOT CHANNEL

DATA FRAME 1 DATA FRAME 1141

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